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For: **METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR PROCESSING CASTINGS**

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to the first Examiner's Action for the above-identified patent application, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace lines 15-19 on page 5 with the following:

--Fig. 1 is a side elevation view of the casting system of the present invention with portions of the system removed and other portions of the system shown in cross-section.

Fig. 2 is a top view of the casting system of Fig. 1 embodying principles of the present invention.--

Please replace the number "62" on line 20 of page 12 with the number --61a--.